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SUBJECT: ULMAN GIVES TURKISH VIEWS ON GENEVA SETTLEMENT

SUMMARY: IN INTERVIEW PUBLISHED AUG 7, DR. HALUK ULMAN, MEMBER OF TURKISH DELEGATION TO GENEVA TALKS IN JULY, SAID GOT'S POSITION AT GENEVA WILL BE THAT CYPRUS SHOULD REMAIN INDEPENDENT WITH TWO AUTONOMOUS, GEOGRAPHICALLY BASED ADMINISTRATIONS. AS VICTOR, TURKEY EXPECTS BE ABLE TO IMPOSE ITS TERMS. TURKEY CAN RETALIATE FOR GREEK CYPRIOT CEASE FIRE VIOLATIONS, HE SAID, BUT SHOULD BE PATIENT. SAFETY OF TURKISH CYPRIOTS SHOULD BE ASSURED BY TURKISH FORCES ON ISLAND; IF UNFICYP UNABLE TO MEET TURKEY'S DEMANDS IN THIS AREA, TURKEY WILL TAKE MATTER INTO OWN HANDS. HE ALSO NOTED THAT U.S. IS "NOW FOLLOWING A REALISTIC POLICY" ON CYPRUS ISSUE. FINALLY, HE WARNED THAT OTHER SIDE MUST IMPLEMENT POLITICAL CONDITIONS OF GENEVA DECLARATION OR FACE CONSEQUENCES. END SUMMARY

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1. DR. HALUK ULMAN, CLOSE ADVISER OF PRIMIN ECEVIT AND MEMBER

OF TURKISH DELEGATION TO JULY TALKS IN GENEVA, GAVE ANKARA DAILY NEWS EXCLUSIVE INTERVIEW ON GOT CYPRUS POLICY WHICH PUBLISHED AUG 7. FOLLOWING ARE SIGNIFICANT EXCERPTS:

A. ASKED TO STATE OFFICIAL VIEWPOINT ON "NEW STATUS OF CYPRUS," ULMAN SAID:

"THE TURKISH GOVERNMENT'S VIEWS ON THIS POINT ARE QUITE CLEAR. CYPRUS WILL REMAIN AS AN INDEPENDENT STATE. BUT THERE WILL BE TWO DIFFERENT AND FULLY AUTONOMOUS ADMINISTRATIONS WITHIN THIS INDEPENDENT STATE. ONE OF THE AUTONOMOUS ADMINISTRATIONS WILL BE THAT OF THE TURKS AND THE OTHER WILL BE THAT OF THE GREEK CYPRIOTS. THESE DIFFERENT ADMINISTRATIONS WILL BE SET UP ON THE BASIS OF GEOGRAPHICAL FACTORS...THERE WILL BE OF COURSE TURKISH ENCLAVES IN THE GREEK CYPRIOT REGION AND GREEK ENCLAVES IN THE TURKISH AREA. BUT THE GREEK CYPRIOTS LIVING IN THE AREAS UNDER TURKISH CONTROL WILL ABIDE BY THE REGULATIONS OF THE TURKISH AUTONOMOUS ADMINISTRATION. LIKEWISE, THE TURKS LIVING IN GREEK AREAS WILL ABIDE BY THE LAWS OF THE GREEK CYPRIOT ADMINISTRATION. (ALL SUCH VILLAGES IN AREAS CONTROLLED BY THE OTHER SIDE) WILL HAVE MUNICIPAL RIGHTS. THIS IS THE MAIN THESIS WHICH WE SHALL PRESENT AT THE NEXT PHASE OF THE GENEVA TALKS."

B. TO QUESTION OF GREEK CYPRIOT CEASE FIRE VIOLATIONS:
"WE MUST BE PATIENT. INDEED, THE GREEK CYPRIOTS ARE CONTINUOUSLY BREAKING THE CEASE FIRE AGREEMENT. BUT WE CAN RETALIATE... HOWEVER, THE RETALIATION SHOWN BY US WILL BE IN PROPORTION TO THE VIOLATIONS.. VIOLATION OF THE CEASE FIRE AGREEMENT WOULD NOT WORK AGAINST TURKEY BUT... AGAINST THE GREEK CYPRIOTS. WE HAVE GOT OUR FORCES IN THE ISLAND WHICH HAVE THE POWER AND QUALITY TO RETALIATE...IN ADDITION, IT IS THE GREEKS WHO ARE REQUIRED TO HASTEN THE PROCESS OF FINDING A POLITICAL SOLUTION... WE HAVE NO NEED TO BE IN A HURRY AS THE TURKISH TROOPS ARE STATIONED THERE. OF COURSE, WE DESIRE AN AGREEMENT BUT NOT THIS OR THAT AGREEMENT; NOT ANY AGREEMENT BUT A JUST AND DURABLE AGREEMENT."

C. TO QUESTION, "WOULD WE LEAVE THE DESTINY OF THE TURKISH COMMUNITY AT THE MERCY OF THE U.N. PEACEKEEPING FORCE?";

"WE HAVE NO INTENTION OF LEAVING THE DESTINY OF THE TURKISH COMMUNITY IN THE HANDS OF PEACEKEEPING FORCES OF THE
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UNITED NATIONS. A PEACEKEEPING FORCE IS ONLY AN INTERIM SOLUTION FOR THE SAFETY OF TURKISH COMMUNITIES LIVING OUTSIDE THE REGIONS UNDER THE CONTROL OF THE TURKISH UNITS. ON THE CONTRARY, WE STAND FOR A FUNDAMENTAL AGREEMENT WHICH WOULD SECURE THE SAFETY OF TURKISH PEOPLE THROUGH THE EXISTENCE OF TURKISH FORCES IN THE ISLAND AND WHICH WOULD ENVISAGE THE WITHDRAWAL OF PEACEKEEPING FORCES FROM THE ISLAND."

D. TO QUESTION ON HOW TURKISH CYPRIOTS OUTSIDE TURKISH ZONE OF CONTROL WOULD BE HELPED;

"THEY WILL BE HELPED THROUGH THE AGENCIES OF THE RED CROSS, RED CRESCENT, AND UN PEACEKEEPING FORCE. IT WOULD BE AN IDEAL THING IF THE UN PEACEKEEPING FORCE IS ABLE TO REALIZE OUR DEMANDS. IF NOT EN WE WILL TRY TO SOLVE THE PROBLEM OURSELVES. WE ARE CONSIDERING THE MATTER WITH GREAT SENSITIVENESS... OUR MILITARY STRENGTH AND THE DETERMINATION OF THE GOVERNMENT IS IN A POSITION TO LOOK INTO THE MATTER EFFECTIVELY."

E. TO QUESTION ON WHETHER ISSUE OF FEDERAL SYSTEM FOR CYPRUS COULD BE SETTLED;

"OUR SOLUTION IS THIS: TURKEY WAS VICTORIOUS IN THE ARMED CLASH. THERE IS NO DOUBT THAT THE WINNING SIDE HAS GREATER RIGHT AND ADVANTAGE TO DICTATE ITS OWN TERMS TO THE VANQUISHED SIDE..

THERE IS NO QUESTION OF GOING BACK FOR US NOW. THEREFORE, THEY HAVE NO CHOICE BUT TO ACCEPT OUR VIEWPOINT."

F. ULMAN ANSWERED QUESTION ON CURRENT U.S. ATTITUDE IN COMPARISON WITH 1963 AND 1967 BY SAYING: "QUITE DIFFERENT.THE UNITED STATES IS NOW FOLLOWING A REALISTIC POLITY... THERE IS A NEED FOR FINDING A NEW SYSTEM. THE UNITED STATES HAS RECOGNIZED THIS FACT.THE UNITED STATES DOES NOT SAY THAT THERE IS NO NEED FOR A NEW SYSTEM, OR THAT THE 1960 CONSTITUTION MEETS ALL THE REQUIREMENTS OF THE ISLAND. WASHINGTON IS STRIVING HARD TO AVOID A WAR BETWEEN THE TWO ALLIES OR A COLLAPSE OF THE SOUTHEASTERN FLANK OF THE NATO ALLIANCE."

G. FINALLY, ULMAN PREDICTED THAT A SECOND PHASE OF GENEVA TALKS DEFINITELY WOULD BE HELD BECAUSE "THE POSTPONEMENT

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OF THE CONFERENCE WILL BE ACTUALLY AGAINST THE INTERESTS OF THE GREEK CYPRIOTS AND THE GREEKS." HE WENT ON TO POINT OUT AGAIN THAT TURKEY HAS UPPER HAND IN CYPRUS NOW AND TO WARN THAT IF OTHER SIDE DOES NOT COMPLY WITH "POLITICAL CONDITIONS" IN CEASE-FIRE AGREEMENT, "THEY WILL BE RESPONSIBLE FOR THE CONSEQUENCES." MACOMBER

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